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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

Competition in markets is essential for a productive capitalist system. If there are only a few big players, we all lose. Let's keep small (and even medium sized) business and competition strong for stronger communities and a strong economy.

I subscribe to internet and telephone service through a small company called LMi, located in my local area. I always do my best to support local business, for the sake of a thriving economy. That's jobs for people in my community.

How about a little ANTI-TRUST? Existing companies are already too large.

We must have NET NEUTRALITY. I know that train has already left the station, but it's not too late to put it into reverse.

And we can't allow PRICE HIKES that will INCREASE THE COST of internet and telephone services through SMALLER PROVIDERS. Don't choke them out of the market.

Please, allow local business to exist, let alone thrive. We NEED this competition in order to remain economically healthy.

Thank you.

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